



**ALL THE WAY WITH LBJ**—Lyndon Johnson's Big Build-up in Vietnam saw American troop strength grow from 29,000 in 1965 to more than half a million in 1968. Ultimately, convinced that the war was tearing the nation apart, Johnson declined to run for a second term, paving the way for the election of Richard Nixon as President.

**AMERICA—LOVE IT OR LEAVE IT—**

As escalation of the war continued, so did the fragmentations and polarization

# IT HAVE TO END THE WAY IT DID?



**ID** — The war was over for these lucky GIs — “Freedom Bird” thanks to the new American mission.” By the early 1970s, Americans were eager to leave the South Vietnamese as eager to take over the country as they were to fight at all? Did America pull the plug on the war? Could American forces have won on their own? *What if America had won the war in South Vietnam on Trial.*